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Officer involved shooting

Case: 08-3110300

Date: Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008

Time: 3:58 a.m.

Location: Berkman Drive and Patton Lane

Narrative:

On Thursday, November 6, 2008, at 3:58 a.m., Austin Police Department Northeast Patrol Officers responded to a 911 call of a disturbance with a gun and several calls of shots fired in the 7600 block of Blessing Avenue.

As officers arrived on the scene they observed the suspect vehicle leaving the area. APD officers pursued the suspect vehicle that later crashed at the intersection of Berkman Drive and Patton Lane. After crashing, the occupants of the vehicle ran from the scene. One suspect, armed with an AK-47 assault rifle was pursued on foot by Officer Will Ray.

The suspect shot at Officer Ray who returned fire striking the suspect. Austin-Travis County EMS responded to the scene and the suspect was pronounced deceased.

The incident on Blessing Avenue is believed to be an Aggravated Robbery committed by the five suspects. As a result of the public's assistance two suspects were apprehended. SWAT members searched several homes in and on Patton Lane and did not find the remaining two suspects believed to be 17 to 27 years of age remain at large and are considered armed and dangerous.



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There were two victims transported by Austin-Travis County EMS from the Blessing Avenue incident. One victim was treated and released and the other remains at the University Medical Center at Brackenridge with non-life threatening injuries. Aggravated Robbery charges are pending on the suspects for the Blessing Avenue incident.

Police Officer Will Ray has been placed on administrative leave, which is consistent with APD Policy. Officer Will Ray was commissioned as an Austin Police Officer January 4, 2008.

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